

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add new claims 5-8 as follows:

**LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS**

Claims 1-4. (Canceled)

5. (New) A battery case assembly for a battery comprising:

- 5           a)     a battery case having:
- i)     a terminal hole located through a peripheral wall thereof; and
- ii)    a flange located on an interior surface of the peripheral wall;
- and
- b)     a contact member having:
- i)     a cylindrical mounting portion inserted through the terminal hole  
                    and having a first end riveted to an outer surface of the  
                    peripheral wall;
- 10           ii)    a contact portion connected to a second end of the cylindrical  
                    mounting portion and engaging a positive terminal of the  
                    battery, the contact portion is located on the flange; and
- 15           iii)    a connecting portion connecting the contact portion to an  
                    electric wire, the connecting portion extending outwardly from  
                    the contact portion along a side surface of the flange  
                    supporting the connecting portion, the contact portion being  
                    spaced apart from a casing of the battery.

6. (New) The battery case assembly according to claim 5, wherein the side surface of the flange is a sloping surface.

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7. (New) The battery case assembly according to claim 5, wherein the flange has a circular shape.

8. (New) The battery case assembly according to claim 5, wherein the cylindrical mounting portion is hollow.